

Forest Glen Pedestrian Bridge -- No. 509976

Category
Agency
Planning Area
Relocation Impact

Transportation
Public Works & Transportation
Kensington-Wheaton
None.

Date Last Modified
Required Adequate Public Facility

January 5, 2006
NO

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY05	Est. FY06	Total 6 Years	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	1,452	1,159	283	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
Land	58	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	601	10	396	195	195	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction	5,597	2,925	2,472	200	200	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	7,709	4,153	3,151	405	405	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

Enhancement	2,878	1,009	1,464	405	405	0	0	0	0	0	0
G.O. Bonds	4,408	2,921	1,487	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Land Sale	175	175	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Intergovernmental	48	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
State Aid	200	0	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000)

DESCRIPTION

This project provides an elevated pedestrian walkway that will span over the interchange ramps for I-495 on the west side of Georgia Avenue (MD 97). The total length of the walkway is 1,357 feet. The project consists of two bridges spanning three interchange ramps. The remaining portions of the elevated path will be constructed on cantilevered retaining walls, U-shaped walls, retaining wall sections, and embankments. The typical width of the path is 12 feet and the profile conforms to ADA requirements. Aesthetic treatment will consist of simulated stone concrete walls that will match the wingwalls of the existing I-495 bridge when widening of the bridge is complete. Recessed lighting will be provided along the curb of each bridge, and light poles will be provided elsewhere along the path. Landscaping will be provided to enhance the visual impact of the pathway.

Service Area

Kensington/ Wheaton and Silver Spring/Takoma Park Policy Areas.

JUSTIFICATION

Pedestrian walkway will allow Forest Glen residents easy and safe access to retail establishments and will enable residents of Montgomery Hills to walk and bike safely to the Forest Glen Metrorail Station and north along Georgia Avenue.

Plans and Studies

Forest Glen Sector Plan (1996). Traffic signals, streetlights, crosswalks, bus stops, ADA ramps, bikeways and other pertinent issues have been considered in the design of the project to ensure pedestrian safety.

Cost Change

Not Applicable

STATUS

Under Construction

OTHER

The final alternative for this project has been approved through the mandatory referral process, and the community has commented during a public hearing.

FISCAL NOTE

This program has been approved for \$2,878,000 in Federal Transportation Enhancement funds and \$200,000 in State aid. The Intergovernmental revenue of \$48,000 shown in the funding schedule represents a reimbursement from WSSC for its share of utility relocation costs.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA

Date First Appropriation	FY99	(\$000)
Initial Cost Estimate		250
First Cost Estimate		
Current Scope	FY05	7,709
Last FY's Cost Estimate		7,709
Present Cost Estimate		7,709
Appropriation Request	FY07	0
Appropriation Request Est.	FY08	0
Supplemental		
Appropriation Request	FY06	0
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		7,709
Expenditures/		
Encumbrances		7,309
Unencumbered Balance		400
Partial Closeout Thru	FY04	0
New Partial Closeout	FY05	0
Total Partial Closeout		0

COORDINATION

Maryland-National Park and Planning Commission
Maryland State Highway Administration
Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
Pepco
Federal Highway Administration
Department of Permitting Services
WSSC
Bell Atlantic
Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery County
Locust Grove Citizens Association

The Executive asserts that this project conforms to the requirements of relevant local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.

MAP

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